

SPOKE

Conestoga College, Tuesday, January 2, 1990

With a shortage of skilled workers in Ontario, careers for female apprentices are increasing. See page three.

Cliff the Condor made his debut at a college mascot competition held at Lulu's Dec. 15. More on page six.

Conestoga students attend crash victims

By Sharon Slater

Two University of Western Ontario students were killed Dec. 15 when their car crossed the median and collided head-on with a dump truck on Highway 401 in front of Conestoga College at 12:20 p.m.

Dead are Thomas Hargest, 20, of 606 Churchill Ave., Ottawa, and his passenger Vincent Franks, 20, of 682 Tweedsmuir Ave., Apt. B, Ottawa.

The accident caused the dump truck to slide off the highway into trees near the Doon campus pond.

According to Cambridge Ontario Provincial Police, Hargest was travelling eastbound on the 401 when his 1980 Volkswagen Rabbit crossed the median and collided with the 1987 Ford dump truck travelling westbound. Truck driver Juraj Papp, 26, of 486 Highland Rd., Kitchener, was treated for minor injuries at St. Mary's Hospital in Kitchener, and later released. Cambridge OPP said although

the 401 was wet, the weather was clear and the roads were not snow covered at the time of the accident.

Police said they don't know what caused the car to cross over the median and are asking for any eastbound drivers who may have seen the car just before the crash to call them.

Marylin Fischer, head nurse at Conestoga College, said she went to the scene with her emergency kit while staff nurse Carol Glaze attended the injured Papp in the health services office.

At the scene, Fischer attended Hargest, who had been thrown from the car.

"I dropped to the ground and got a pulse and respiration. The

victim had received a very bad cut to his scalp and although he was breathing, he had sustained severe head injuries and was in critical condition," Fischer said.

"I feel for their families," she said. "I didn't think about the victims at that time, I thought about

those poor parents who were waiting for their sons to come home for Christmas."



Papp's truck stopped near the Doon campus pond.

(Photo by Sharon Slater/ Spoke)

an ambulance arrived. He died at Cambridge Memorial Hospital.

Franks was pronounced dead at the scene.

"Something like this accident is such a tragedy," said Fischer: "But when it happens just before Christmas—it is so awful."

Moffatt wins with 74 per cent of vote

By Andrea Buckley

The new student representative on the Board of Governors plans to work on the problems with parking and the possibility of a student residence during his one-year term.

First-year construction engineering technology student Rick Moffatt won the Dec. 13 election by an overwhelming 74 per cent of the votes.

Moffatt said currently a feasibility study is being done to research the possibility of a residence at the Doon campus and when it is complete, he plans to present it to the board.

"I realize most proposals probably aren't going to happen while I'm at school," said Moffatt, but he believes it is important that somebody initiate ideas.

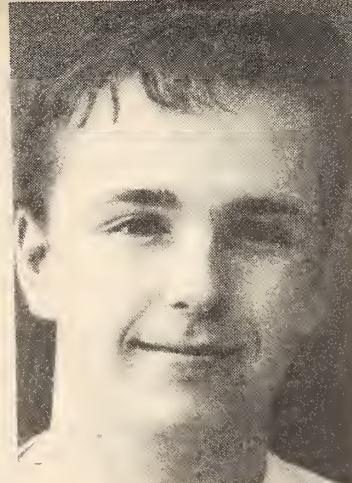
He said one of the first things he will suggest is that he have an office and a mailbox so students and

staff have somewhere to contact him. "If there is an office, at least they would know I'm around to take suggestions."

Administrative assistant Marie Slater said only 76 people voted throughout Conestoga's six main campuses and nobody from Stratford, Waterloo, Cambridge or Clinton campuses voted.

Slater said she thought it was probably better that people who didn't know the candidates declined voting. "They'd only be voting for a name, and may have swayed the results," she said, explaining that since all the candidates were from Doon, students and staff at other campuses probably didn't even know about the election, or didn't know anything about the candidates.

Moffatt said he'd like to see more publicity for candidates in the future. "It seems for some reason the administration doesn't want us to publicize," he said.



Rick Moffatt

He said through this position, he has "had contact with people who have concerns," and before the Board of Governors election he spoke to different classes at the college to try to make them aware of his presence.

"Even if they didn't vote, they know who I am."

Moffatt said he became interested in getting involved at the college after DSA president John Lassel suggested it. "I had come out of university and things here were so small in comparison. Once I got to know people I thought I should get involved so I talked to John (Lassel)," said Moffatt.

"If things go well, hopefully I can get things rolling this year."

He also pointed out that as of last August, the student representative is a voting member of the board, which makes it a powerful position that should be considered closely by students.

Moffatt has been involved with the Doon Student Association on the Board of Directors, which acts as a liaison between the DSA and the students.



Madhi Salem, a third-year civil engineering student, registers to vote for a student representative to the Board of Governors Dec. 13.
(Photo by Brian Shypula/Spoke)

A moment of silence

By Sharon Slater

A memorial service for the two University of Western Ontario students killed in a car accident on Highway 401 in front of Conestoga College Dec. 15 was held in the Doon cafeteria Dec. 20.

Pat Carter, vice-president of academics at the college, and John Lassel, Doon Student Association president, spoke about the effect of the accident on Conestoga students.

Lassel said some students requested a memorial service for Thomas Hargest and Vincent Franks, who were travelling home for the holidays when their car collided head-on with a dump truck.

Carter said she is planning to write to the families of the victims to express the college's

condolences.

"As a parent and an educator, my heart breaks for these families," Carter said.

Carter and Lassel requested a moment of silence and the cafeteria was still.

Lassel said it makes him think about getting the most out of every day.

"The accident really hit home. A lot of students will be travelling home for the Christmas holidays, and this type of thing affects everyone," he said.

Marilyn Fischer, head nurse at Conestoga, said she was impressed with the attitude of students about the tragedy.

"John and Pat did an excellent job of speaking to the students," she said. "I was really impressed with how the students cooperated."



Fischer

Students help out OPP

By Terra Crowley

Four second-year graphics design students were awarded \$200 for their work in designing a display board for Cambridge's Ontario Provincial Police detachment Dec. 12.

Students were divided into seven or eight groups and were instructed to create display boards based on four topics:

- drinking and driving
- drug abuse
- seatbelt safety

• marine safety. Each group was responsible for developing an idea while two designs were chosen to be produced for the OPP, said one of the winners, second-year student Peter Blake.

The other winners were John Boucasis, Brian Ennett, and Dan Ortieb. The second group of winners were Alex Protas, John Ashby and Doug Leake.

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**Noah would be proud**

By Jennifer Motz

If I had a dollar for every time I've succumbed to the desperate pleas of friends and relatives to adopt their pets, I'd be... well, you know the rest.

Over the past 10 years the excuses have remained the same.

"I'm moving and I just can't possibly keep ___ and you were the first person I thought of." "I know you love animals and after all you live in the country and ___ would be so much better off there."

Then they hit me with the zinger, that well phrased sentence that gets me everytime.

"I'd hate to have to see ___ go to the pound."

When my sister called last week to ask if I would consider adopting Humphrey, her "adorable" Himalayan kitten, I told her to give me a few days and I'd get back to her.

Since then, I've tried to put things into perspective. I remember the numerous drives to airports, train stations and parking lots to rescue these adorable animals, only to get them home and discover their true personalities.

I remember Cujo, a vacuous but loveable mutt who had an obsessive penchant for plastic toys and electrical cords. After a year of rescuing this dog from sure death, we decided to give her to an Old Order Mennonite family.

Cujo hasn't been around anything that conducts electricity for six years now, and from all accounts, she is doing fine.

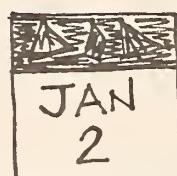
I remember Britt, an intelligent but vain dog with long, silky, burr-susceptible hair. He knew he was gorgeous and continuously pranced and manicured himself, always eager for an audience.

Following a particularly horrendous episode where Britt had managed to cover himself in burrs, we found ourselves having cutting most of the hair from this proud animal's body. He never recovered. Two days later Britt wandered onto a highway and was struck and killed by a car. I still contend it was suicide.

There have been others. Two cats appropriately named Claws, and a city-born Husky named Nero who did not appreciate the country life. Nero wandered off one day, never to be seen again. I think about Nero often and have this recurring vision of Nero living in a condo in Toronto.

I remember these animals for the hard work and frustration they have brought. But I have also witnessed the humor these adoptees have offered me and my two sons. While trying our patience at times, these animals have given us unconditional love and a glimpse into the human psyche.

Even though my resident adoptee, a peek-a-poo named Yoko, may not appreciate it, I think I'll call my sister tomorrow and let

OPINION

WELL, I GUESS I'LL
START MY NEW YEAR'S
RESOLUTIONS
TOMORROW

**Improving road safety will bring meaning to senseless accident**

By Brian Shypula

Two fellow students died Dec. 15 when their car crossed the Highway 401 median into the path of a dump truck.

Judging from the comments and reactions of both students and staff at Conestoga, the tragedy hit home. Possibly, because they were on their way home for the holidays, or possibly because it happened in our own backyard, no one at the college was unaffected.

It also raises the question of road safety.

If there had been a barrier in the median, the students' car may not have crossed over into oncoming traffic.

Unfortunately, we are told by the government that dividing barriers are too expensive to erect all along highways.

Granted, it may be costly, but so is the loss of two young lives, along with the many more that will come.

Unfortunately, further news about Ontario roadways is not good either.

There is bound to be more traffic on the already

combat-like 401 as ViaRail service is cut, forcing passengers to take their cars or ride increasing bus service.

Mixed in among these extra cars and buses will be bigger trucks. The provincial government has recently decided to allow truck trailers to be three feet longer than they are currently. This will make a loaded truck heavier and harder to stop.

Along the 401 there was a particularly bad stretch of road near Woodstock. It was the scene of many head-on collisions as cars skidded across the un-barriered median into oncoming traffic.

However, area citizens did something about it. They lobbied the government until barriers were erected.

Kitchener, Waterloo and Cambridge residents must do the same. With both population and industry growing in the area, there are bound to be more cars and trucks on the local roadways. Safety must be a priority, appropriate measures must be demanded of our governments, or tragedies such as the one Dec. 15 will become commonplace.

Choose wisely or it will be Kraft Dinner forever

By Andrea Buckley

Well Spoke-readers, this is the end of the line for me. My editing days are over, and it's back to the bottom of the heap. This means that if you'd like to see my byline, you'll have to put out 5 cents a day to get the Cambridge Reporter.

But don't expect to read any opinionized columns about winter or health care or even Santa Claus because, you see, they don't let first-year reporters take the liberty of stating their points of view in papers that are actually circulated in the outside community.

I hope I can create some interesting articles

on the weekly decisions at the Cambridge city council meetings. Court stories are always exciting too. People scan them to see if anybody they know has been thrown in jail and then they crumple the page to start the fireplace.

However tedious some stories may seem, I'm looking forward to setting a place for myself in the field. Living in poverty for awhile is a secondary issue—as long as I can write. I figure all those editors in Canada should be getting pretty old, so I'm confident that in a month or so I'll be offered a managerial position at one of the highly reputable daily papers in Toronto or Montreal.

Okay, I admit it—I'm dreaming. The truth is, what will happen is I'll spend the next five years covering district courts, town councils, elementary school sports or community events. I'll race around town—as long as

Bugsy holds on—with my notepad and camera, hoping for something big to drift down and bite me on the nose so I can get my break into big-time investigative journalism.

I'll move around from one newspaper to another and maybe have a set of twins somewhere along the route—with wavy white hair or they'll be sent back. And when I've finally gained enough experience, my chance will come. I'll be able to throw out the cartons of Kraft dinner and Libby's beans and buy a cow from the local butcher. I'll build myself a log cabin nestled in a lakefront tree stand and crank out a weekly column on my word processor that I can send to a few dozen daily newspapers across Canada. They'll just send me paycheques.

Then the bestseller will come out and I'll really hit it big. My children will go to the best schools and become doctors or lawyers—journalists don't make enough

money—and I'll retire to my ski chalet at Klosters or the sunshine shack in Bermuda.

Okay, I admit it—I'm dreaming.

I guess the best I can hope for is that I chose the most appropriate field to suit my abilities, interests and personality. It doesn't matter where you go to school or what training you've had—if you don't enjoy what you're doing, you might as well dig yourself a hole and jump in. Not everybody is lucky enough to find that perfect profession and as a result, there are many unhappy employees in the world. School seems like endless drudgery, and I admit I'm relieved that it's over, but a few extra years of school is nothing compared to a lifetime of remorse.

But I passed, I'll graduate and I'm happy. Or am I dreaming again?

Farewell to everybody who faithfully read my columns, and thank you for all the positive feedback I received.

More women to enter apprenticeship programs

By Jennifer Motz

Women between the ages of 25 and 35 represent an untapped resource which, if utilized, will help correct the severe shortage of skilled workers that exists in Ontario says Jennifer Knowles, Conestoga College co-ordinator for the Women's Access to Apprenticeship program.

"This program is to encourage more women to participate in apprenticeship training, particularly in non-traditional trades such as machining, plumbing and welding," Knowles said.

The typical term for an apprentice is approximately 8,000 hours or four years. The apprentice is trained by the employer and is paid based on a percentage of a certified worker's (journeyman's) wage. That percentage increases throughout the term. During the apprenticeship, the worker must complete three eight-week theory-based courses at college and is paid by the Ministry of Skills and Development while in school.

Knowles added related experience in a trade or the completion of a pre-apprenticeship pro-

gram, many of which are offered at Conestoga, count toward the hours needed to complete an apprenticeship.

Knowles was appointed to the job in July by the college and works in conjunction with the Ministry of Skills and Development. It is a two year pilot project.

"The ministry wants to increase the number of female apprentices in Ontario from 2,000 to 5,000 by the end of the project," said Knowles. "In this area, that translates from about 100 to 250 of which a large percentage should be in non-traditional trades. Of that 2,000 that now exists, most are hairdressers and cooks," she added.

She explained the focus on recruiting of women is based on existing and foreseeable trends.

A declining birthrate has meant less people entering the workforce but there are more women working outside the home.

Universities continue to find an increasing number of women enrolling in what were once considered male programs such as science, engineering, medicine and law. It is predicted that this

trend will filter down to the blue collar trades.

There has also been a gradual shift in the number of male high school students who are choosing business related courses over traditional technology and trade courses.

"We also have this phenomenon in our society where we have a lot more females who are on their own, who have to support themselves and families," said Knowles. "The salaries they are getting for the secretarial, clerical and hairdressing type jobs are not sufficient so that is pointing to women going into non-traditional job areas where the wage is better and where they can make what a man makes."

While the evidence supporting the need for women to enter these jobs exists, Knowles said there has been a lack of information supplied to both women and employers.

"Part of my job is to find these women who are interested," said Knowles. "In my limited experience, indications are that I will do best with women who are re-entering the workforce or chang-

ing careers, women who are in a position to make their own decisions and are not so influenced by parents, high school teachers and peers."

Besides one on one counselling, Knowles also speaks to groups including unions, employment centers, youth groups, the college advisory committee and employers in order to foster a greater acceptance of women apprentices in non-traditional trades.

"The mandate has always been there. The laws say you must give equal opportunities to women but it just doesn't seem to be happening," said Knowles. "Perhaps part of the reason for the project is to break down some of the barriers."

As well as some employers' reluctance to hire female apprentices, Knowles cites women's resistance as a hurdle to overcome. She explained some women are reluctant to leave the security of an existing job or social assistance for fear of a wrong decision, adding some women need to become more adventurous when considering their future.

Knowles said she hopes the project, whether or not it is per-



Jennifer Knowles

manently implemented after the trial period, will "sow the seeds" necessary to initiate change. She added noticeable change will probably take a long time.

"I think it may take 10 or 20 years before we see a lot of change," she said, "but maybe by the turn of the century we can look for something."

Anyone interested in apprenticeship training can contact Jennifer Knowles at the Guelph campus at 824-9390, ext. 145.

Female electrician began with Lego

By Jill Keeling

When Margaret Bennett was her daughter's age, her favorite toy was Lego building blocks. Her six-year-old daughter however, prefers dolls.

When Bennett returns home after a long day at work, her daughter takes one look at her mother's soiled clothes and exclaims: "Yuck!"

It is for these reasons that Bennett is certain her daughter will not follow her into the traditionally male occupation of electrician.

An employee of Dunbar Electric in Kitchener, Bennett entered the

basic electrical skills program at Conestoga last September. She is the only female apprentice in her class.

"When I first came here, people would think that they couldn't swear if I was in the room, or joke around," she said. "Now I'm like one of the guys. I hear a lot of jokes now."

With her neat bob hairstyle and glasses, Bennett looks like a teacher or a staff member at the college. However, her scuffed-up workboots indicate the type of work she does.

This work includes renovating her Kitchener home and fixing whatever needs repair.

If something needs fixing at home, I'm usually the one to do it."

She met her husband nine years ago in Toronto, where she lived at the time. Bennett said not only was he supportive of her career, he also encouraged her to return to school for further training.

The basic electrical skills course begins in September and ends mid-December. Since the hours are different from those where she works,

Bennett said this allows her to spend more time with her daughter after school.

In her course, students are marked on a grade point average from one to four, with two being a pass. Although Bennett describes herself as a "mediocre" student, she said a strange thing happens when men see a female electrician.

"It's sort of like reverse discrimination," she said. "People look at me at work and because I'm a woman they think, 'Gee, she must be a great electrician'."

Despite her long-time interest in non-traditional occupations, Bennett said that she hopes her daughter will "go into something traditional because it's what she wants."

For now, Bennett will return to her job at Dunbar Electric and to the unique status she receives there. It appears she is amused by the attention she gets.

"My boss said that when I'm certified (as an electrician), he is going to call the local newspaper and have them do a big story on me," Bennett said with a smile.

Correction

A headline on page three of the Dec. 18 issue of Spoke incorrectly identified Rosario and Tonatiu Abrego as Nicaraguan. The couple is in fact from El Salvador. Spoke regrets the error and apologizes to the Abregos for any embarrassment created by the mistake.

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Margaret Bennett

Letter to the editor

Dear editor,

On Dec. 15, 1989, many students and staff at Conestoga College witnessed a tragic traffic accident that killed two University of Western Ontario students who were on their way home to Ottawa for the holidays.

As a staff member who arrived at the scene shortly after the accident, I want to commend those Conestoga students who did all they could to help the victims. I don't know the students' names but I do know that the injured truck driver was escorted to our health services office by students.

Students helped at the roadside by covering the victims with their jackets. A nursing student attended one of the victims until the college nurse arrived.

Even those students who arrived too late to directly help the injured showed maturity and responsibility when asked to move back to allow the professionals to do their jobs.

The untimely deaths of the two young men will not be easily forgotten—but neither will the actions of our students who did all they could for the victims.

Jack Fletcher
Staff Manager
Conestoga College

Poster sale nets DSA \$160

By Jennifer Motz

An art sale and exhibit at Conestoga College's Doon campus gave students, staff and faculty an opportunity to do some last minute Christmas shopping Dec. 11 and 12.

"The timing of the sale was perfect and feedback, so far, has been very positive," said Cheryl Davenport, activities co-ordinator for the Doon Student Association.

Davenport said she is waiting for more feedback before deciding whether to book another sale, explaining she feels the novelty for sales of this type tends to wear off rather quickly. The DSA generated \$160 over the two-day event, which represented 10 per cent of Creative Quality Design's sales.

Davenport said the money will be put toward other activities but is not earmarked for a specific project yet.

Laura Vandeburgt, the president of the Aurora-based company, said she was also pleased with the response from the college.

"We have been serving colleges across Ontario for the last five years but this is our first time at Conestoga and we are hoping to come back, maybe next semester," Vandeburgt said.

The sale was originally been scheduled to last a week, but because of the college strike, the company had to shorten their visit to meet pre-Christmas demand at other colleges.

"That really did cut into our profits," Vandeburgt said.

Over 200 mounted posters and prints were on display, with



Creative Quality Design owner Laura Vandeburgt with some of her merchandise. (Photo by Shari MacMullin/Spoke)

another 5,000 that were not displayed, with prices ranging from \$8 to \$42.

Vandeburgt said selling prices for her posters are much more reasonable than those of retail outlets because she buys in bulk from suppliers in Canada, the United

States and Europe.

Vandeburgt said she did not know the exact number of posters sold, but the hottest item was a black and white poster featuring the shirtless torso of a physically fit male entitled: "All Men are Not Created Equal."

Suitcase pub is a possibility

By Sharon Slater

Plans are underway for Winter Carnival week and according to Cheryl Davenport, activities co-ordinator for the Doon Student Association, Snowzone 1990 will keep students busy throughout the week of Jan. 29 to Feb. 2.

Davenport said the Winter Carnival Committee has been meeting for a month creating ideas and activities to ensure its success.

The committee is comprised of about 15 members, which includes the executive, members of the board of directors, as well as any interested students.

Davenport said one idea the committee is considering is a suitcase pub. The only way for a student to

win the draw for a trip, possibly to the Quebec Winter Carnival, is to bring a packed suitcase to the pub.

"We are not sure about the pub yet," she said. "It is a great idea but we are examining other possibilities."

Other events include the popular Polar Plunge, which is a tradition for Conestoga College.

"Students really enjoy the Polar Plunge because it is so unique and different," she said.

The dinner show is another tradition which will be part of the winter carnival week.

Students will be able to purchase T-shirts this year, said Davenport, however there will be a limited supply. The association has not priced them yet, but she said the

T-shirts will be inexpensive.

Davenport said the committee wants to have a brochure of events available for students so they are aware of all the activities and can plan a schedule around them.

"Last year, we found the schedule worked well," she said. "Students have expressed an interest in having the same type of thing this year."

Prizes will be donated by Labatt's and Molson's as well as other sponsors.

"We want to get a lot of people involved in this year's activities, and good prizes and lots of activities is a good way of getting them motivated to join in."

Davenport explained that last year's winter carnival week wasn't successful because there was no snow. Excitement and interest wasn't there because people weren't in the mood.

"We have put in a special request with the man upstairs and we will be having snow this year," she said.

However, if her request is denied, the winter carnival committee will have alternate activities to fall back on.

Davenport added that students are welcome to stop by the association's activities office and give her any suggestions for the week.

"We are looking forward to having a lot of participation this year, we hope it will be the best winter carnival week ever."



Cheryl Davenport, DSA activities co-ordinator, readies the Winter Carnival week schedule. (Photo by Sharon Slater/Spoke)

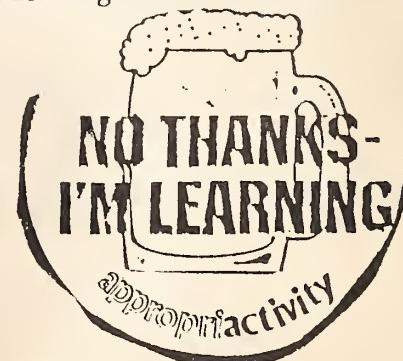
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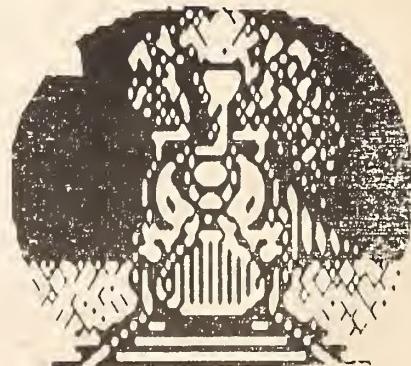
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Broadcasting-radio and television students (from l to r) Jacqui Roche, Drew Nageleisen, Karen McLaughlin and Valerie Cole organized CXLR's Name That Tune contest Dec. 15.

(Photo by Sharon Slater/Spoke)

CXLR promotes new strategy

By Sharon Slater

Students at Conestoga's Doon campus have been tuning in to CXLR's latest radio promotion, Name that Tune.

Drew Nageleisen, a second-year broadcasting-radio and television student, played five clips of songs and the first person to correctly identify the artist and title wins.

According to Karen McLaughlin, a third-year BRT student, the promotion is a new marketing strategy for the radio station.

"A lot of students don't know we are here," said McLaughlin. "We just want to let them know we are here and broadcasting."

The winner of the game was second-year business management student Dave Hawkins, who won five pounds of Colonial Cookies.

"We are doing a lot of advertising to promote CXLR, and the Name that Tune game is just another way," McLaughlin said.

She added other BRT students are running promotions for concert tickets and give-aways.

McLaughlin said she advertised in Spoke and filled the bulletin boards with posters.

The Name that Tune contest was originally scheduled for Nov. 26, but due to the recent faculty strike, the event had to be rescheduled.

McLaughlin explained BRT students will be involved in a telethon

in the new year to raise money to purchase new equipment and supplies for their program.

"We are asking alumni to help us out and contribute to our cause," she said.

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THIS WEEK

Jan. 2 - 5

Welcome back! DSA has a lot of great activities planned for semester 2.

Winter Carnival Week

Day Ski Trips

Springfest

Homegrown Talent Night and more

Jan. 4 & 5

Kitchener Transit Passes will be sold in the Student Lounge.

Second semester locker schedules will be available from DSA Activities Office soon!

Thank You to everyone who contributed to Salvation Army Toy Drive!

Lulu's hosts mascot contest

By Stephanie Donkers

About 750 students from six Ontario colleges attended the second annual mascot competition at Lulu's Roadhouse in Kitchener Dec. 15.

Although Jack Frost brewed nasty weather, preventing six colleges from attending, the spirit of those who were present remained unthreatened as they cheered on their school's mascot.

Beatles tribute band 1964 opened the night, entertaining college students from Centennial, Seneca, George Brown, Sheridan, Humber and Conestoga. Rick Davis Promotions, of Toronto, organized the event.

The night, sponsored by Molson Breweries, was originally scheduled for mid-November but was postponed because of the faculty strike. The mascot competition will be repeated next November.

Although posters advertising the night stated advance tickets only, Cheryl Davenport, the Doon Stu-

dent Association's activities coordinator, said a \$6 admission fee was accepted at the door because only 25 tickets were sold before the event.

"We had anticipated a better turnout," said Davenport. "But for the time of year and the circumstances, the turnout was good."

Donna Murphy, a nursing student from George Brown College, said she had a good time but was disappointed with the number of people who came.

"I thought there'd be more people," she said.

Jeff Tvrdon, an engineering student from Conestoga, said the night was "small but appreciated."

Ben Ketslah, waitress manager at Lulu's, expected about 500 more students.

"There was still a good turnout considering the weather," he said.

Ketslah said he liked the idea of holding a college night because "it introduces the bar to people who have never been here before. If they're happy with it, they'll be back."

The competition began shortly after 10 p.m. with each mascot allowed approximately five minutes on stage for a short performance. Students supported their mascot by cheering from the dance floor. Centennial's mascot was awarded a trophy for winning while Humber's mascot was runner-up.

The poor weather kept Seneca's mascot from attending.

A televised, dating-game show also provided students with entertainment. The show's crew interviewed 60 people in three hours. The show interviews people around various bars and will air on CHCH Channel 11 in March and April. All the students interviewed at Lulu's will appear on the daily 11 a.m. broadcasts.

When the show's producers contacted Lulu's officials Dec. 14, they were told to do the interviews the following night because the students make good subjects.

Phil Matton, the program's official, said the night was the best night they've had because so many students participated.

News Flash

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Condor does bird dance

By Shari MacMullin

Do birds of a feather dance together?

Gary 'Cliff the Condor' Porter, assistant activities co-ordinator of the Doon Student Association, made his debut as the Conestoga College Condor at Lulu's Roadhouse Dec. 15.

Porter said he was nominated by the DSA executive and the intramural committee to play the Condor. He added the whole idea of the event was to get colleges to

use their mascots.

Cliff the Condor was accompanied by two assistants, DSA vice-president Marjorie Hewitt and third-year marketing student Shawn Hammil, who both wore beaks while "dirty dancing" with Porter.

Porter, Hewitt and Hammil started their performance with the Bird Dance and then went on to Do You Love Me?

Porter said, due to poor organization of the event, he and his assistants had to split their performance

in half, doing the last 90 seconds later on.

"We really went nuts up there," said Porter, explaining for the last half of their performance he and his assistants danced to Mony Mony and Tequila.

Porter said the rest of the college mascots played a role of a character, something the Condor did not do.

As for the future of the mascot, Porter said he might start wearing the costume to some Condors' games.

Women's Varsity Indoor Soccer try-outs begin

Thursday, Jan. 4

4:15 p.m.

For further information contact Geoff Johnstone Ext. 259 or Duane Shadd Ext. 384

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FACULTY AND STAFF:

Q: So, what's your New Year's resolution?

A: To join the newly forming FACULTY AND STAFF TEAM for intramurals

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Do more homework than I say I will and get it done on time.
Barbara Burke
First-year nursing



Never to make another New Year's resolution.
Jackie Jeffery
First-year broadcasting-radio and television



To go on a diet.
Muriel Pilon
Beaver Foods



I never make one.
Jim Brady
Security



Lose 25 pounds and find the love of my life.
Dave Ernewein
Second-year business administration-accounting



Less partying and more studying.
Rob Hodgson
First-year law and security administration

Three starters injured

By Mike Matthews

The injury-riddled men's basketball team closed out the pre-Christmas portion of their schedule on the short end of an 84-29 score, losing to George Brown Dec. 7.

The team was forced to play with a short bench as the result of injuries suffered by regulars Paul Bauer and Jim Harley in an Ohio tournament Dec. 1-2, and Scott Ferguson in a Dec. 6 team practice.

At the team's tournament in Ohio, Bauer broke his foot and Harley sustained a knee injury. Ferguson sprained his ankle in practice the night before the George Brown game.

"We have four weeks off now over Christmas, and we'll need every day of that if we hope to field a healthy lineup in the new year," said coach Marty Kings.

"Losing Bauer (six-foot-eight)

and Harley (six-foot-three) diminishes our rebounding ability considerably, and Scott is our captain—our quarterback on the floor."

George Brown opened the game with a 11-0 scoring spurt and led 40-14 at halftime.

"In our games we're shooting under 30 per cent, and we need to step up our offence, as in most of our games to date we've been getting only one shot and very few rebounds," said Kings.

Mark Dekker led Conestoga with eight points while Clint Belanger added seven.

Kevin Taylor led George Brown with 21 points with Wayne Jones chipping in 20.

Newcomer Len Potts played his first game for Conestoga scoring two points, earning praise for his effort from Kings.

Conestoga plays next at the George Brown Invitational tournament Jan. 5-6.



Condor Paul Bauer has his shot blocked in a game against George Brown Dec. 7.

Athlete of the Week



Dhana Clements is this week's female athlete of the week. A steady performer and team leader, Clements led Conestoga scorers in a Dec. 11 game against Seneca College. The centre connected for 15 points. She is a first-year nursing student.



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A hockey Condor gets a backhand away against Buffalo State in a game Dec. 7. (Photos by Mike Matthews/Spoke)

Condors ice Buffalo

By Mike Matthews

The hockey Condors won their second straight game in as many days with a 5-2 victory over Buffalo State on home ice Dec. 6.

A night earlier, they ended a three-game losing streak with a 7-2 thrashing of the University of Buffalo at Sabreland.

With the victory over Buffalo State, the Condors head into the Christmas break with a record of six wins and three losses.

Brad Chard scored twice for Conestoga, while Jeff Cumming, Scott Hutchinson and Chris Murray added singles.

The Condors game got off to a slow start with Buffalo State taking a 1-0 lead at the 3:16 mark of the first period.

Cumming evened the score at 18:35 and the teams went into the dressing room tied 1-1 after 20 minutes.

Conestoga played a tight-checking second period and took control of the game with some solid bodychecks from Chris Murray, Rob Datz and Scott Hutchinson.

The combination of Conestoga's

Women lose after poor start

By Mike Matthews

George Brown defeated the women's basketball team 63-35 Dec. 7, taking an early lead and never looking back.

"We should have switched to a zone defence earlier than we did, as they outscored us 26-19 in the second half after we made the change," said coach Fred Humphrey.

George Brown led 37-16 at the half, opening with a 21-7 lead after the first twelve minutes of play.

As the 26-19 second-half score indicates, over the final 20 minutes both teams matched up fairly well, but Conestoga's slow start cost them the game.

"We did a lot of things well tonight, as we moved the ball around and shot from some pretty good spots on the floor, but once again our low shooting percentage hurt us," said Humphrey.

"We had a few giveaways as well, but the girls really gave a hard effort tonight and really hustled on offence."

Karen Auld and Kathy Ryan led Conestoga scorers with eight points apiece while Tracy Snedden contributed six.

"Karen and Lara Tesolin played well down low for us tonight, and Janet Kowtuski's play is improving every game," said Humphrey.

"We have two more games before the Christmas break, and after that we hope to have Virginia

physical play and Chard's first goal of the game at 13:15 of the period provided the Condors with their first lead of the game and some momentum going into the third period.

Hutchinson and Murray scored to give Conestoga a 4-1 lead before Buffalo State cut the lead to two goals at the 12:52 mark. Chard's second goal at 16:20 extinguished any hope of a Buffalo State comeback and the Condors closed out the first portion of their schedule on a positive note.

"Chard played an excellent offensive game for us and Dave Kinsella is adjusting quickly to his new defensive role and looks like a veteran out there," said coach Scott Long.

"Unfortunately we're losing Gary 'Gramps' Boudreau, as he finishes his electrical apprenticeship this week and we'll miss him."

Conestoga outshot Buffalo State 36-23 in the game.

The Condors start the second half of the schedule with a game at Niagara College in Welland, Ont. Jan. 6.

Hall back from her illness, as she adds some size to our lineup and can help our inside game."

Lynn George and Annette Palmer led the George Brown attack with 18 points apiece.

"Lynn George is a pretty good player, is really smooth on the court and Palmer is a good outside shooter," said Humphrey.

Conestoga's next game is Dec. 13 at Seneca before they close out their pre-Christmas schedule at home Dec. 19.



Condor Tracy Snedden takes a shot in a game against George Brown Dec. 6.

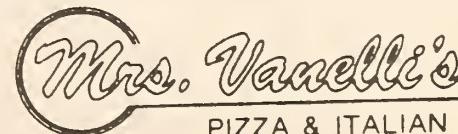
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Intramural team of the week



The Gumbies - Co-ed Volleyball

Bottom (l-r): Michelle Curry, Jason Woodhouse, Jenny VanDerZwaag
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Absent: Tracey Gimby



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Detweiler Centre program unique in Ontario

By Jill Keeling

Jim Peters will return to Leamington at the end of December, after completing the only electrical motor and apparatus rewind program in Ontario.

The program, which consists of 720 hours of study in electrical theory and hands-on experiments, is offered at the Detweiler Centre at Conestoga's Doon campus.

Apprentices from all over Ontario returned to Conestoga at the end of November for the last of their six sessions of in-school training. Each session lasts four weeks.

Peters is boarding in Kitchener while he completes the course. Some of his 18 other classmates are either boarding or commuting to the college from all over Ontario.

The course is designed to give apprentices the knowledge required to repair and maintain any size or type of electrical motor.

For six hours each day, apprentices study alternating current and magnetic theory. They test direct-current motors and generators and rewind direct current armatures.

Peters said the class doesn't just

sit and take notes all day. The day is divided roughly into half theory and half hands-on experience. During the hands-on portion, students work on individual experiments as well as class demonstrations.

Lou Giancani, an apprentice from Dynes Electric in Hamilton, said he enjoys the course and is impressed with the amount of time and attention given by their instructors.

George Woods and Walter Boettger provide that instruction. Peters described them as "very good...very supportive."

"They are more than willing to spend a lot of time with the students," he added.

Woods said Conestoga College was chosen to teach the course because of the Detweiler Centre, built in 1985. This facility is unique in Ontario and is designed to provide practical, hands-on experience for developing electricians.

Students work on motors ranging in size from hand-held to a \$50,000 oil tanker motor which stands at least 20 feet tall.

The equipment is often donated by companies such as Westin-



Lou Giancani (left) and Jim Peters examine an electric motor as part of their electrician apprenticeship program.
(Photo by Jill Keeling/Spoke)

ghouse, because the companies benefit from people learning how to use their machines.

The rewind program was specifically designed to deal with a shortage in the industry of this type of professional. There are only two other schools in Canada which offer this program.

As for their future career plans, students are hoping this course will provide them with some basic knowledge needed to pursue various types of jobs.

Giancani said he would like to run his own business or "be a boss."

Peters would like to go on to fur-

ther training on high-frequency motors and eventually work on airplanes.

The next class will begin in early 1990. Any motor repair shop that registers apprentices with the Ministry of Skills Development is eligible for the program.

Graphics From page 1

Although the students were assigned the project in their first year of study, the boards have only been used by the OPP since October due to the lengthy time in producing them, said Const. Bob Morrow.

"I approached the co-ordinators of the program and asked if the students could put something together," he said. "I then approached Programmed Insurance Brokers Inc. to provide the award money."

Since completion, the display boards have been used at various mall presentations as well as at the Old Timers' hockey game played in the Kitchener Auditorium.

"It is something different than what we have ever had before," said Morrow. "The officers like it and the public seems to accept it. It has more of an impact than our previous still-shots."

In addition, the pictures appearing on the OPP display board are interchangeable.

"We can inter-mix the pictures to suit our needs," he said. "If we want to stress the danger of drinking and driving combined with seatbelt safety, we can put those particular pictures up. Or, if we wanted to stress drugs with marine safety we can put those pictures up. It allows us to be quite flexible."

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